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CALENDAR



Thurs., Apr. 2 — Special Puerto Rico Night. Cocktails, 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner and discussion.

Prelude to departure of OPC's tour to Puerto Rico on Apr. 11. Speakers: New York City Magistrate Manuel Gomez; J. Diaz Hernandez, Puerto Rico Economic Development Administration; emcee Adolph A. Berle, Jr., former U.S. Ambassador to Brazil. Puerto Rican entertainment.

Tues., Apr. 7 — Book Evening. Leaf and the Flame, by Margaret Parton. Cocktails, 6:00, dinner, 7:00, panel discussion, 8:00 p.m.

Miss Parton will discuss her book, concerning her experiences as a foreign correspondent in India, with correspondents who have worked in that country, among them William Attwood, Look. Saturday Review's John Barkham will emcee. Reservations, please.

Fri., Apr. 10 — Paris Correspondents' Reunion. Cocktails, 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. (See story, p. 12.)

Tues., Apr. 14 — Regional Dinner: India. Reception, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m.

Featured will be Indian entertainment, food specialties and door prizes.

Reservations, for member and one guest each, at OPC. \$4.00

Thurs., Apr. 16 — Media Night: The Reporter Magazine. Reception, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m.

Principal speaker, honoring tenth anniversary of The Reporter: J. William Fulbright, chairman of U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Reservations now at OPC. Members ONLY. NO guests.

Fri., Apr. 24 — Pacific-Tokyo Correspondents' Reunion. Cocktails, 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m.

Reservations now at OPC. \$4.00 per person.

Tues., Apr. 28 — Annual Meeting of OPC Membership. Election of 1959-60 Club Officers. 7:30 p.m.



The N.Y. Times science editor William L. Laurence, OPC Awards Committee Chairman; CBS' Paul Bruck, award winner; John F. Day, director of CBS News; and AP's Thomas P. Whitney, OPC President; at Club's Annual Awards Dinner and Dance on Mar. 28.

Newsmen To Indian Border For Tibet Story

Attention focused on the small Indian caravan center of Kalimpong this week when Tibet revolted and newsmen rushed to the border town to get the story.

No correspondent was in Tibet when the revolution started and none is allowed to enter. American news media rushed their newsmen to the border from New Delhi and other points to get what news they could of the uprising.

The N.Y. Times sent its New Delhi bureau chief, Elie Abel, to Kalimpong, nineteen days by yak from the Tibetan capital of Lhasa, the end of last week; then he went on to nearby Sikkim. The Times is also using Reuters dispatches.

AP has Watson Sims, chief of New Delhi bureau, working on the story as well as Henry Bradsher at the India-Tibet border.

UPI's resident correspondent in Calcutta, A.K. Das, went to Kalimpong; then, for better communications and to be closer to the scene of action, he went on to Gangtok in Sikkim.

B.K. Tiwari, resident correspondent in New Delhi, is also on the story. Ernest Hobrecht, UPI vice president

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DINNER LARGEST YET

AWARDS WINNERS HONORED; NEW FUND DRIVE OPENED

Approximately 1,300 guests — at least 100 more than last year and the largest in Club history — attended the OPC's Twentieth Annual Awards Dinner and Dance on Mar. 28 and saw the presentation of OPC awards to 1958 winners.

The Dinner, held in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, was also the occasion for the opening of the fund drive for the "World Press Center" and the announcement of another new OPC annual award.

The Most Reverend Fulton J. Sheen, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, addressed guests on the "responsibility of communications in a changing world."

Ten Awards winners and fifteen

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SPECIAL!

Beginning on page three of this issue is a special nine-page supplement giving biographical data on candidates for 1959-60 OPC offices, and information about voting, both by mail and at the Club's Annual Meeting on Apr. 28. The supplement should be read and kept until after voting.

ANNUAL DINNER

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citation winners for work in 1958 were announced and presented with their awards. Filmed dramatizations of the award-winning stories, produced by Vavin, Inc. under the guidance of *Richard de Rochement* and supervised by Gerald Weiler of Vavin, were shown. Each of the winners received a print of the reel of his story from Vavin.

Awards Committee Chairman *William L. Laurence*, in announcing the awards, spoke of their "reflection of turbulent events of the year," among them the revolutions in Cuba, Lebanon and Algeria. Laurence said that "humanity has a weapon infinitely more powerful than H-Bombs or any material weapon, the free mind of man, reflected in the free press."

Awards winners present at the dinner were *Bob Considine*, Andrew St. George, Joseph Oexle, Joseph Kraft, *Chet Huntley*, John Gunther, Paul Bruck and *Joseph Taylor*. The award to Winston Burdett, at present in Beirut, was received for him by *John F. Day*, director of CBS News. Graham Hovey's award was accepted by Wilbur E. Elston, editor of the editorial page of the *Minneapolis Star and Tribune*.

Each of the awards winners received a new Remington portable "Quiet-Riter"



NBC's Ben Grauer, Dinner Committee Production Chairman, and Look's Dan Mich, supervisor of Dateline 1959, consult behind the scene at the Waldorf-Astoria.

type writer, presented by Remington Rand.

OPC President *Thomas P. Whitney* spoke of the "growth and prestige" of the Club since its founding twenty years ago — on Apr. 2, 1939. Twenty-four members of the Club who died since the Annual Dinner last year were commemorated by Whitney.

Whitney spoke of plans for the establishment of a "World Press Center," incorporating the present OPC headquarters and the recently-purchased building next door at 33 East 39th St.

New Award Announced

Whitney also announced the new Edwin Stout Memorial Award for the best interpretive coverage of Latin America published in any American publication.

The annual award, to be made for the first time in 1960 and to carry with it a substantial cash prize, is in honor of *Edwin Stout*, founder of *Vision*, who died on Nov. 26, 1958. This award, in addition to the "best business news reporting" award sponsored by Fairchild Publications, will bring the total of special annual OPC awards to four.

The 1959 edition of the OPC's *Dateline* magazine was distributed to each of the guests at the dinner.

On the light side, double-talk artist Al Kelly was on hand as the "new UN ambassador from Ruritania." *Bob Considine* conducted a most unfruitful interview with him — under a spotlight in the second balcony — on the world situation.

Radio comedians Bob and Ray conducted another interview — on tape, this time of a correspondent who returned from a trip to the Middle East. The correspondent's "penetrating analysis of the situation in the Middle East" included commentary on his journey over and back, his health, the hotel accommodations and availability of liquor.

Bob Considine was chairman of the Dinner Committee. *Ben Grauer* was in charge of Production.

Four Westerners Only Still In Baghdad Now

Two Americans, a Canadian and a British correspondent were still representing the Western press in Baghdad at press time.

The AP's Stan Carter, who had been first man in to cover the uprising in northern Iraq was still sending out copy. Douglas Brown, *London Daily Telegraph*, Erik Durschmeid of the Canadian Broadcasting Corp., and *Joe Falletta*, finishing a film assignment for CBS, were the other three.

Meantime Soviet and satellite correspondents were pouring in while Western newsmen vainly waited for visas.

Three American newsmen were expelled on less than twelve hours' notice last week. *Larry Collins*, UPI; *Winston Burdett*, CBS; and *William McHale*, *Time-Life*, went to Beirut. *Denis Fodor* of *Time* was refused entry at the Baghdad airport.

McHale, who had obtained an exclusive interview with Premier *Abdul Karim Kassim* a week before, finally got time, after his expulsion order was delivered, to read the inscription on a signed photograph *Karim* had given him on the conclusion of the interview. It reads: "This is my gift to every noble newsmen who battles for the freedom of people everywhere in the world."

SEVAREID TAKES LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Under an arrangement made some time ago, *Eric Sevareid*, CBS commentator, will leave his post in Washington for a month's vacation plus three months' leave of absence and then join the London bureau.

Charles Collingwood will return to the U.S. in the fall on completion of his two years' assignment in London. *Alex Kendrick* will succeed him as bureau chief in London. *Sevareid* will use London as a base for roving assignments.

John P. McKnight, former AP, now director of USIS and counselor of embassy for Public Affairs in Rio de Janeiro, to be transferred to Washington as USIA assistant director for the Latin America area.

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1959 OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB ELECTION INFORMATION

OPC Annual Meeting On Apr. 28 To See 1959-60 Officers Elected

The 1959 Annual Meeting of the Overseas Press Club of America, Inc., will be held on Tuesday evening, Apr. 28, at the Clubhouse, starting at 7:30 p.m.

This year, we are to elect a President, three Vice Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and seven members of the Board of Governors. The first four runners-up (after all vacancies on the Board have been filled) will be designated as Alternates.

This section contains biographical information and pictures of each candidate for these offices. (C) following each name designates nomination by the Nominating Committee; (P) designates nomination by Petition.

Ballots will be sent to all Active members by mail (air mail, if abroad) within the coming week. Each ballot will be accompanied by an official return envelope, bearing a serial number.

IF YOU VOTE BY MAIL, YOU MUST USE THE OFFICIAL RETURN ENVELOPE — otherwise your ballot cannot be counted. This is required by the By-Laws. (The envelopes will be destroyed before any ballot is counted.)

Ballots may also be cast in person by depositing them in the official ballot box during the first hour of the Annual Meeting, or by delivering them to the Clubhouse and placing them in the ballot box prior to the meeting (but in this case they must be enclosed in the official envelope).

If your address is different from that to which this issue of *The Overseas Press Bulletin* was mailed, notify us immediately. An instruction letter accompanying the ballot gives further details.

COMMITTEE OF JUDGES OF THE ELECTION

For President: Henry Cassidy

(C)



Foreign correspondent for AP and NBC fourteen years. Currently New York consultant to the Director of Radio Free Europe.

Born Boston, Mass., 1910. Graduated Harvard College 1931.

Boston Traveler 1931-33. AP New Haven, Conn., 1933-34, New York 1934-36, Paris 1936-40, Moscow 1940-44, Washington 1944-45. NBC European News Director 1945-50, Director News

and Special Events 1950-52, New York commentator 1952-58.

First Vice President OPC 1958-59; before that, member of the Board of Governors, Chairman of the Admissions Committee and member of the Annual Awards Dinner and other committees.

Former President Anglo-American Press Association of Paris, trustee American Library in Paris, Chevalier Legion of Honor, member National Press Club, Association of Radio-Television News Analysts.

If elected President of OPC, I should greatly appreciate the honor and gladly assume the responsibilities of serving the Club in that office.

It would be my purpose to maintain the dynamic growth of the Club in membership and public service, to encourage such splendid activities as *The Bulletin* and the Placement Bureau, to mention only two; and to settle, once and for all, the problem of a permanent home for the Club.

For President: John Wilhelm

(C)



Present: Director News Bur-
eaus, McGraw-Hill Publishing
Co. (*Business Week*).

Past: Eleven years overseas foreign correspondent for *Chi-
cago Sun*, National Broadcasting
Co, McGraw-Hill, serving in Lon-
don, Paris, Stockholm, Bonn,
Brussels, Buenos Aires, Mexico
City. Member executive commit-
tee, Association U.S. Corre-
spondents in London; President,
Foreign Correspondents Asso-
ciation in Mexico. Previously, New York cable desk, United
Press, *Chicago Tribune*; police reporter, City News.

Club Activities: Currently Vice President and Treasurer, Overseas Press Club. As Treasurer, Club moved into profit-making position and will wind up this year with first net operating profit in OPC's history. Also supervised publications committees, including Dateline, Who's Who, plus two years as chairman of Bulletin Committee during revamping of *The Bulletin* into present form. Heads planning committee for new building; served on house committee.

Platform: "To ensure the Club's reputation as a highly ethical and professional journalistic association of present and past foreign correspondents; to aid foreign correspondents in reaching and transmitting news freely. I wish to see the Overseas Press Club obtain during the coming year the 'World Press Center' now being planned. I recognize the immense amount of work and effort this will entail, and will do my best to accomplish our goal if the members so choose to elect me."

For Vice President: Robert Conway (C)



I, Robert Conway, am strictly a newspaperman. I've never been anything else: 1924-1927 on the *N. Y. American*, and since 1928 with the *N. Y. Daily News*, as reporter, writer, political, Washington and foreign correspondent (from 1945 to 1951 in more than twenty-four countries in Europe, Africa and the Near East), and unsalaried president of the N.Y. Newspaper Guild in 1942.

For two years I've been a member of the OPC Board of Governors.

I've been chiefly responsible for the 1958 OPC Constitutional amendment which assures real club elections with two or more candidates for each elective position. I proposed the by-laws change which reduced dues for retired and "over 70" members to the same \$15 annual rate as for overseas members. I favor keeping our clubhouse centrally located, and I'm against grandiose expansion schemes which might change the intimate character or increase club costs beyond reach of working newspapermen. I think the modestly larger quarters we are working on will be sufficient.

If you approve of that record, vote for me. If you don't, vote against me. I shan't mind.

For Vice President: John F. Day (C)



John F. Day has been director of News for CBS since Jan. 1, 1955. For the last year he has been a member of the OPC Board of Governors and for the last year and a half chairman of the Freedom of the Press Committee. He has also served on the Television Committee and on this year's Awards Committee and the Dinner Production Committee.

A native of Kentucky and a cum laude graduate in Journalism at the University of Kentucky, he started his news career on the *Lexington (Ky.) Leader* in 1936. He subsequently was with the Associated Press in Louisville, Ky., and Huntington, W. Va.; the Office of War Information, *The Cleveland Press*, *The Dayton (Ohio) Daily News*, *The Louisville Courier-Journal* and the *Newark Star-Ledger*.

He was managing editor of the *Dayton News* and of the *Courier-Journal*. For the latter newspaper he served two years in the Washington bureau and a year as a roving correspondent in Europe.

He was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard and is the author of *Bloody Ground* (Doubleday).

For Vice President: Richard de Rochement (C)



Biography: Born Chelsea, Mass. 1903. Williams, Harvard (A.B. 1928). Reporter *Boston Advertiser*, Sunday features *Boston Herald*, *Globe*, *Post* prior to 1928. Reporter *N. Y. American*, Sun 1928-1930.

Paris editor French Movie-tonews 1931-34; foreign manager March of Time 1934; chief bureaus Time. London and Paris '34-1940. Accredited Correspondent French Army 1939-40,

correspondent with U. S. forces European-Mediterranean Theater 1944-45. Officer Legion of Honor 1945. Managing Editor, Producer March of Time 1940-51. Produced documentary feature on Vatican. Academy "Oscar" for "A Chance to Live." Produced TV series "Mr. Lincoln," Omnibus 1952. V.P. (TV) J. Walter Thompson 1953-55. Presently Executive Producer, President, VAVIN Inc.

Joined OPC 1940 as former member Anglo-American Press (Paris). Board Governors 1940-43. Chairman Budget Committee 1956-58. Vice President 1957-58. Board of Governors 1958-59. Vice President OPC Correspondents Fund.

Statement: "In a year of prosperity and activity the Club has made substantial advances which must now be secured and consolidated. I believe close cooperation of the Fund and the Club should be a prime objective, with resulting benefits of improved facilities at our Memorial Press Center and more service to overseas correspondents, including those in need as a first responsibility."

For Vice President: Ben Grauer (C)



Special Events reporter and commentator with NBC since 1930. Overseas news assignments include: Paris Peace Conference, 1946; Solar eclipse, Brazil, 1947; Arab-Israel War, 1948; Berlin Airlift, 1948. Domestic assignments include: Political conventions, election returns 1940-56; inaugurations 1937-1957; United Nations since San Francisco 1945.

Member OPC since 1951; member Board of Governors 1955-57; 1957-59; Committee memberships: 1955-56 Program Committee; Inter-American Committee, Press Conference Committee. 1956-57 Inter-American Committee, Dinner Committee, Radio-TV Committee. 1957-58 Inter American Committee, Co-chairman Open House Committee. 1958-59 Chairman, Production Committee - Annual Dinner, Building-Next-Door Committee.

For Vice President: Ruth Lloyd (P)



A member of the OPC since 1946.

Club activities: Member of the Board of Governors 1956-57; Awards Committee in 1956. Also a former editor of the Club Bulletin; Member of the Bulletin Committee; Member of the Freedom of the Press Committee; Member of the Dinner Committee and Member of the House Operations Committee.

Present post: Active correspondent for WNEW, *American Weekly*, and Westinghouse Chain.

Previous experience: Correspondent Kemsley Newspapers, Ltd., London, England. Foreign Correspondent Eastern Europe, United Press, Europe, 1946-51; previously covered labor, Washington, D.C. and industrial beat in Northern California; also TV, Radio and lectures. General features and travel for Women's News Syndicate; Correspondent, *Jours de France* and other European News Magazines.

Contributor to: *N.Y. Times Sunday Magazine*, *Saturday Evening Post*, *Holiday*, NANA.

Writing Specialties: Politics, Economics, Theatre Personalities, Commentary on the News.

For Vice President: John Luter (C)



Now: Secretary of the OPC and editor of the Press section of *Newsweek*. Also member of the OPC Executive Committee (since 1957), chairman of Constitution Committee and president of Panel Programs, Inc., a company recently organized to package TV radio discussion shows.

Previously: Twenty years as a staff newsman for magazines (*Newsweek*, 1958-59, and *Time-Life*, 1944-56), television (CBS News, 1957-58) and newspapers (the *Washington Star*, 1942-44 and *San Antonio Light*, 1939-42).

Eight years as a foreign correspondent (for *Time* and *Life*) in Italy, the Middle East, Japan, Southeast Asia, and the Pacific Theatre.

Member of the OPC since 1946, and of its committees since return to the U.S. Present at all but one meeting of the Board of Governors since election to the Board in 1956. Chairman in 1955-57 of the Constitution Revision Committee which sponsored the mail ballot, a choice of nominees for Club offices, and tighter entrance requirements. Chairman in 1957-58 of Membership Committee which originated Reunion Nights.

For Vice President: Ansel E. Talbert (C)



Executive Editor, Flight Safety Publications; member Editorial Board of Military Publishing Institute, bringing out "The Air Force Blue Book" Apr. 28. Now Chairman, OPC Admissions Committee, and member, Board of Governors.

Former military and aviation editor, columnist for *N.Y. Herald Tribune*. A.B., Litt.B, M.S. Columbia School of Journalism. Enlisted as private after Pearl Harbor,

became Lt. Col., which rank now holds in Reserve. Science Service (N.Y.) correspondent 1935; joined *Herald Tribune* as general news reporter covering police, courts, fires; sent to Europe 1939; tour of Far East 1940.

1940-41 wrote series exposing Axis agents working secretly in U.S. before Pearl Harbor, including Dr. Kurt Rieth, Nazi Ambassador to Austria who arranged unsuccessful Nazi putsch resulting in murder of Chancellor Dollfuss; this causing arrest and deportation of Dr. Rieth from U.S. Also series "Men of Vichy" in America.

Korean War correspondent 1950-51 until fractured leg near Taegu; back to Japan and Korea 1952; 1952 to date assignments in Britain, West Europe, Soviet Union, Greenland. Ice Island T-3 floating 250 miles from North Pole; first newsman to fly over North and South Poles. Awarded Strebig Trophy outstanding reporting 1957 and Legion of Honor, rank of Chevalier by President of France 1957.

For Secretary: John de Lorenzi (P)



Now with King Features Syndicate. Formerly: International News Service; *Baytown* (Tex.) Sun; instructor, University of Missouri School of Journalism; Information Officer, 435th Troop Carrier Group England, Italy, France; also glider pilot making landings during invasions of Normandy, Southern France, Holland.

Member Deadline Club of N.Y. (Sigma Delta Chi); National Press Club, Washington, D.C.; formerly

president Dallas (Tex.) local of American Newspaper Guild.

Club activities: Presently Vice Chairman, House Operations Committee and on Annual Awards Dinner Committee. Also one of two-man Art Committee which obtained the many exhibitions of fine paintings hung in the Dining Room. Was Vice Chairman of Constitutional Revision Committee which prepared successful amendment making it mandatory for two or more candidates to be nominated for each office to give members a wider choice. One of those responsible for installing and setting up members' charge account system. In past served on Credit, Nominations (1957), *Dateline Magazine*, Publicity, House Operations and Annual Awards Dinner Seating Committees.

Statement: Because current and forthcoming decisions will greatly affect Club's future, believe a much greater effort should be made to keep entire membership fully informed not only of the decisions of the Officers and Board but the reasons behind them.

For Secretary: Joe Rosapepe (C)



Newsman sixteen years, starting as police reporter and art critic on *Youngstown (O.) Vindicator*. Worked as news editor during war with OWI and SHAEF in London and in Press Office, U.S. Embassy in Lisbon. Postwar overseas assignments: *Associated Press* staffer, Rome; correspondent in Italy for N.Y. *Journal of Commerce* and *Travel News* magazine. Total overseas nine years in Britain, Portugal, Italy, France and Switzerland. New York: *AP World Service* business and financial editor. Now public relations with Burson-Marsteller Associates.

Free-lance articles in *Saturday Evening Post*, *The Exchange* and other magazines in travel and foreign trade field. Contributor to OPC's *Men Who Make Your World* and Fodor's *Guide to Italy*. Married to Dorothy Carew, former *United Press* staffer in Paris, *Associated Press* financial writer in New York.

Since joining OPC twelve years ago served on Awards, Annual Dinner, Bulletin, Freedom of Press, Archives Committees; was chairman of Public Relations Committee during Memorial Press Center campaign and first year of operation; served on Board of Governors.

For Treasurer: Matthew A.R. Bassity (C)



Partner in the firm, Thomsen & Bassity Company, specialists in financial and corporate public relations.

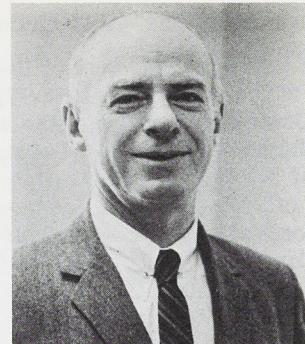
Born Shanghai; educated England — degree in journalism, Syracuse University.

Reporter, *Newark Star Eagle*, 1930-32; New York Press Association, 1937-40; *Utica Press*, *Utica Observer-Dispatch*, 1940-41; *Binghamton Press*, 1941-42, 1946-47; Combat photo officer, U.S. Army Pictorial Service, 1942-46; ETO, 1944-45.

Member Dateline Committee 1957-58; External Affairs Committee 1958-59; Dateline Committee 1958-59; regular contributor, OPC Fund for More Fortunate Poker Players.

Platform: promise full and complete reporting of Club financial affairs.

For Secretary: Will Yolen (C)



Associated with the greatest growth in the Club's history, Will Yolen has worked in every phase of the Club's operations and committees. Was the first "Assistant to the President" and has served two terms as Secretary of the Club. As Chairman of the Book Committee he signed two contracts for two OPC books in two committee meetings. Also served as Chairman of "Building Next Door" Committee which set up strategy for raising of \$300,000 to finance the deal. Presently completing term as member of Board of Governors.

Has served as Chairman of Motion Picture Committee, Outdoor Special Events, including Jones Beach "Showboat" junket. In addition to his own Committees, Yolen serves as Vice Chairman on the Credit Committee.

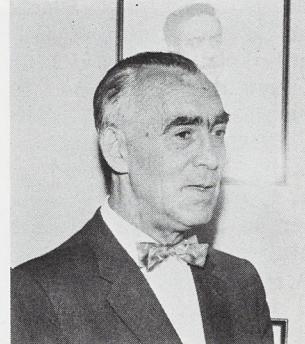
In the critical years ahead, as the Club expands further, his experience as Secretary should be useful to the Club.

Yolen is head of Magazine and Books and resident poet of Hill and Knowlton, Inc. A former newspaperman; *New Haven Register*, *Madison Eagle*, *United Features*, NANA, free-lance magazine writer Europe and M.E. of ABSIE in London.

Author of *Fit to Print* as well as profiles for *This Week*.

He is Western Hemisphere Kite Flying Champion, his only distraction from OPC duties.

For Treasurer: Franz Weissblatt (C)



Served with the U.P. in China, Japan and the Philippines. From 1931 to 1945 worked continuously in the Far East for wire services and publications.

Editor of *Japan Review*; Editor, *Philippine Mining News*; Editor, *Philippine Financial News*.

Editor and Publisher of *Who's Who in the Philippines*, Vol. 1 and 2.

Self-employed today in the export management and foreign business survey field. V.P. and Treas. of Schcolnik Overseas Corp.

Founder member of the Manila Overseas Press Club. Awarded Medal of Freedom.

Club activities: Vice-Chairman Budget Committee 1958-9. Member House Operations Committee 1958-9; Annual Awards Dinner Committee 1958; Dateline Committee 1959; Hospitality Committee 1958-9; House Next Door Committee 1959.

"I am in favor of economy in operation without affecting the progress or curtailing activities of the Overseas Press Club."

For Governor: Lawrence G. Blochman (C)



Blochman has been intermittently associated with overseas journalism from 1921 (*Japan Advertiser*, Tokyo) to 1959 (Paris assignment for *American Weekly*). He served with the *Far Eastern Review* (Shanghai); *South China Morning Post* (Hong Kong); *The Englishman* (Calcutta); European edition of *Chicago Tribune* and the *Paris Times*.

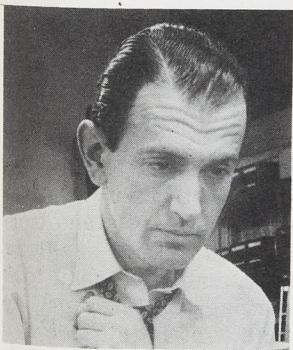
He was editor of *Daily Californian*; reporter for *San Diego Evening Tribune*; city editor, *San Diego Sun*; stringer N.Y. *Herald Tribune* in Guatemala (1931).

Free-lancing thirty years, mostly mystery novels, also motion pictures, radio and TV programs.

Served with O.W.I. Overseas Branch; Chief, Radio Program Bureau (Voice of America); Interim Director ABSIE 1944-45; Commission on Government Security, Washington, D.C. (1957).

Club activities: Member OPC twenty years; five terms on Board of Governors; Vice President 1956-57; currently chairman of Regional Dinners Committee; previously chairman of Program, Hospitality and Labor Relations Committees. He also served on Awards Dinner, Admissions, House Operations and Ways and Means Committees. Author-editor OPC's *Around The World Bar Guide Here's How* 1957.

For Governor: Michael G. Crissan (P)



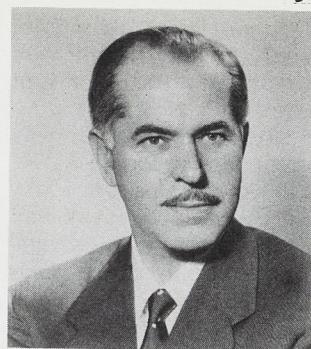
Now: International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation, Public Relations Representative.

Previously: Newsman in the United States and overseas from 1944 to 1957. Worked for the British Ministry of Information, Cairo; *Phos*, Cairo; and United Press, Time, Inc., and The Associated Press in Greece. Covered assassination of George Polk, United Nations Committees for the Balkans and the entire Greek

civil war. Fulbright scholarship in Journalism at Yale and Columbia Universities (1951-52) Associated Press newsman in Trenton and Newark, N.J. (1953-1957).

Club assignments: Chairman of Membership Committee (1956-57). Conducted membership drive among overseas correspondents. Also member of Admissions, Regional Dinners and Overseas Liaison Committees. Alternate member of Board of Governors (1957-58).

For Governor: Boyan Choukanoff (P)



Script-writer, commentator Radio Free Europe since 1955. Previously, Voice of America; managing editor, *Free & Independent Bulgaria*, New York; Sofia *Svoboda*; Bulgarian press attache in Washington, correspondent Bulgarian Telegraphic Agency for U.S. and UN. Press officer American Legation in Sofia and correspondent for Associated Press in Balkan area.

In work as AP correspondent and U.S. Legation press officer in Bulgaria, he was jailed and interned by war-time pro-Nazi regime, later, sentenced to death - *in absentia* - by post-war Communist regime.

Graduate, Cornell University. Attended Pulitzer School of Journalism and New School for Social Research. Contributor to *The Encyclopedia Slavonica*, *Current History*, also publications in U.S. and overseas. Lecturer on East European affairs.

Former Secretary-Treasurer of Sofia Foreign Correspondents Association and member OPC since 1950, he participated in Club's 1950 TV series and has since been active in Freedom of the Press, Library and Hospitality Committees.

For Governor: Richard F. Dempewolff (C)



Eastern Editor *Popular Mechanics* since 1949, assignments including Antarctica during Operation Deepfreeze I; South America for mining and diamond hunting on the Orinoco headwaters, iron prospecting ventures, the rebuilding of Caracas; Japan and Korea, covering air lift operations during recent Korean action; Northern Labrador for rail building operations opening up Burnt Creek ore fields; under Gulf of Mexico in midget submarines covering underwater war games; bird-dogging assignments in outlying areas of Cuba, Mexico, Hawaii.

My work in journalism, either as staff writer or editor; includes stints with *Literary Digest*, *Newsweek*, *True*, and four years with the Navy as roving correspondent for *Naval Aviation News*. Have done free-lance material for most of the familiar general interest national magazines. Author of *Famous Old New England Murders* (1941); *Animal Reveille* (1942).

Club activities: Admissions Committee 1958-59; member of book panel on missilry, symposium panel for student editors, etc.

For Governor: Leon Dennen

(C)



With Europe and Middle East as his beat, Leon Dennen has lived and worked abroad for last fifteen years.

From 1948 until 1957, he was roving correspondent for NEA. He also worked on the *Moscow Daily News*, N.Y. Post cable desk and wrote hundreds of stories and articles for magazines like *This Week*, *Commentary*, *Time* and *Life*, etc.

Though Dennen now makes his permanent residence in the U.S., he travels frequently abroad on assignments. He wrote *Trouble Zone*, *Where the Ghetto Ends*, *The Soviet Peace Myth*, and translated *Soviet Russia's Foreign Policy* and Mayakovski's *The Bed Bug*.

Dennen was cited in 1958 by the OPC for outstanding interpretation of foreign news in the American press.

His "Political Platform?" He says "The OPC is an excellent refuge for foreign correspondents who sooner or later decide to come home. Let's keep it so — with maximum of services and minimum of bickering."

For Governor: Edward Hunter

(P)



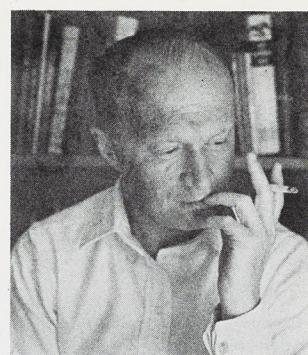
I intend to exert myself, if elected to the Board of Governors, on which I served twice before in the Club's early years, to making our Club the personal interest of each member, where he can feel at home and among his own. I would seek to expand this feeling to each member abroad, as individuals. The atmosphere of a club must not be replaced by the impersonality of a public restaurant or a hotel lobby.

I would work to preserve and strengthen the balance which constitutes our tradition. My years of close identification with Club affairs, my career that includes every job in a newsroom, at home and abroad, as foreign correspondent, editor, lecturer and author, with interludes in government (wartime) and public relations, give me the necessary, rounded background.

I would serve the Club in the spirit in which it was founded, and in its present-day opportunities for helpfulness to each member.

For Governor: Henry Gellermann

(C)



Present Director of Public Relations, Bache & Co. (investment banking firm).

Previous Experience: Financial reporter and writer for: *Commercial*, Bombay; *China Press*, Shanghai and *Finanstidende*, Copenhagen.

Current contributor to: United Press International, Inc., *Investor Magazine* and WOR-Mutual.

Author of: *How To Make Money Make Money* (Crowell, 1958).

Writing specialties: Economics, finance, business.

Military service: World War II - Military Intelligence Service ETO - 1942-46. Korean War - Psychological Warfare - 1951-53.

Civic activities: Member of Board of Directors of Knickerbocker Hospital. National Cancer Foundation.

Memberships: The Society of Silurians. Public Relations Society of America. National Press Club. American Public Relations Association.

OPC activities: Member of the Board 1951 - term uncompleted because of service in Korean War. Member of Dinner Committee - 1940-41. Member of Bulletin Committee - 1958-59.

For Governor: William L. Laurence

(C)



Science editor, *N.Y. Times*, 1956 — Science reporter, *N.Y. Times*, 1930-56; Reporter, *N.Y. World* 1926-30. War Department's official reporter of top secret atomic bomb project, 1945. Only newspaperman at test of first atomic bomb at Tinian Island from where the atomic bomb missions to Hiroshima and Nagasaki took off. Accompanied mission to Nagasaki and wrote exclusive eye witness account. Pool correspondent hydrogen bomb tests Eniwetok, 1956.

Honors: Pulitzer prize for reporting (1937); second Pulitzer Prize for Nagasaki Story and Atomic Bomb Series, 1946; Silurian Award, 1945; Two Citations from War Department, 1945; Westinghouse Award 1946; University of Missouri Medal, 1947; Lasker, George Polk Award and Page One Award, 1950; Grady Gold Medal, American Chemical Society, 1958.

Honorary degrees from seven Universities.

Author: *Down Over Zero* (1946); *The Hell Bomb* (1951); *Men and Atoms*, (in press), 1959.

OPC activities: Chairman Award Committee, 1958-59 Guest speaker, various luncheons and dinners.

For Governor: Murray Lewis

(C)



Formerly *N. Y. Telegram*, *Athens (Ohio) Messenger*, *Springfield (Mass) Republican*, *West Springfield (Mass) News* (editor), *San Francisco Chronicle*, Marine Corps Combat Correspondent, South Pacific.

Member of the Newspaper Reporters Association of New York City, Society of the Silurians, Artists and Writers Association, Marine Corps Combat Correspondents Association (president, 1957-1958).

Currently chairman of Public Information Committee; member, Public Relations Committee, 1950-1955, and chairman of Public Relations Committee, 1957-1958; House Operations Committee, 1955-56; member of Dinner Committee, 1957, 1958, 1959.

Conceived idea of OPC annual magazine and was chairman of editorial board of first issue of *Dateline* in 1957.

For Governor: William R. McAndrew

(C)



Began as stringer for *Washington Herald* while at Catholic U.; joined United Press staff, Washington, 1935; came to NBC News, Washington, in 1936; became executive news director of *Broadcasting Magazine*, Washington, 1940; left to head information program for Board of Economic Warfare briefly in 1942; later that year joined ABC as editor for late Earl Godwin; rejoined NBC in 1944, heading Washington news room;

became station manager of NBC-owned Washington stations - WRC-TV and WRC (radio) 1949; came to New York in 1951 as Director of Public Affairs for the NBC Television Network; became Manager of News and Special Events for NBC-TV and Radio in 1952; became Director of NBC News in October, 1954, and Vice President, News, on Feb. 10, 1958.

For Governor: Marshall Loeb

(C)



A writer for *Time* magazine, Marshall Loeb is a working newsman and has been a working newsman all his adult life.

He started as a sports writer for Chicago weeklies. Later, he was staff correspondent for United Press in Germany, working out of Frankfurt for three years ending 1954. Then he joined *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* as general assignment reporter, rewrite man and feature writer in 1955-56.

1956 he moved to *Time* as contributing editor, writing in Business News section.

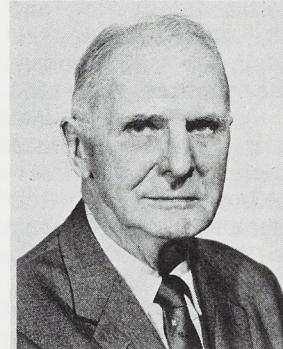
He is married and has two children.

At OPC, he is chairman of Bulletin Committee, and has helped to bring into *The Overseas Press Bulletin* by-lined roundups of the activities of men and women who reported the news from the places where news was being made - Berlin, Beirut, Caracas, Rome, Havana, Taipei.

He also helped to put *The Bulletin* into the black; this year, for the first time, *The Bulletin* will show a profit.

For Governor: George A. McDonald

(C)



I am a working newspaper stiff. Started as county correspondent for *Boston Globe* in high school. Served in World War I as enlisted personnel stringer with *Stars and Stripes* and First Division Bridgehead *Sentinel*, as first sergeant, 28th U.S. Infantry. Worked as railroad and utility editor *N.Y. Evening Sun* 1932 to 1944. Now financial reporter and rewrite man *N.Y. World-Telegram & Sun*. Have also been advertising manager, press relations director and VP Press Relations in varied fields of industry. Authored 300 detective stories and novelettes. Member: American Fiction Guild, New York, and then national president; New York Financial Writers Assn., past VP, treasurer and governor, Society of Silurians, former member Publicity Club of New York, Public Relations Society of America, American Public Relations Assn. OPC activities: now member of Placement Committee, formerly on Luncheon and Publicity Committees. Would be very proud to serve as a Governor of the OPC.

For Governor: Dorothy L. Omansky (C)

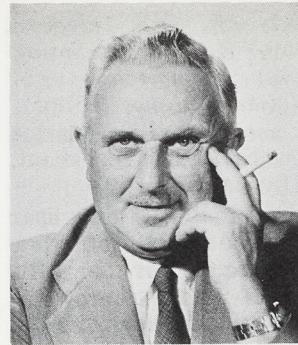


Now based in New York City as Chief of Civil Defense Volunteer Enrollment Service. Work includes writing on semi-technical subjects.

Served Hearst Newspapers and *Good Housekeeping* magazine overseas; *Time* magazine, *Parents'* magazine, Scripps-Howard Newspapers, Columbia Broadcasting System locally; as well as press representative for City College; and on Mayor's Reception Committee.

Ever since I became a member of the OPC in 1940, I've served the Club in many capacities. Every Annual Awards Dinner (and we're on the twentieth!) has seen Omansky either as a "coolie" addressing envelopes, or as its secretary, in which capacity I am now serving for the third year. Also was Chairman of Hospitality Committee for several years, and was active member of Library, Regional Dinners Committees, etc. At present, on Board of the Manhattan Chapter of American Association to the UN; as well as on the same organization's Southern Region Advisory Board.

For Governor: Joseph C. Peters (P)



A newspaperman since the early '20s, with occasional excursions into other fields. Now freelance writer and public relations consultant. To 1936 worked for *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* (sports) *N.Y. Times*, *Editor & Publisher*, *Richmond (Va.) News-Leader*, *N.Y. Sun* (travel), and *Herald-Tribune* (book reviews).

U.S. correspondent for European publications, published *Laurelton News* (weekly) on Long Island, AP correspondent in Vienna and Balkans. To 1950 on staff of *American Weekly* as reporter, writer, associate editor. 1947 covered Trieste, Austria, Yugoslavia, and Czechoslovakia for INS and *Frontpage*. Contributed to various magazines. Executive committee member and assembly chairman, N.Y. Newspaper Guild. Graduate Columbia School of Journalism.

OPC member since 1942. Have been active as chairman, vice chairman, or member of following committees: Dinner, Freedom of the Press, External Activities, Hospitality, House Operations, Program, Public Relations, Regional Dinners, Special Events, Fund Raising, Dateline, and various other activities. Alternate member of Board of Governors.

For Governor: B. Mathieu (C)



(Mrs. Allan Roos) Now, and since 1928, writer, *The New Yorker* magazine (Paris, London, Mediterranean countries, 1928-1950 N.Y. 1950 —); editing, Physical Science Study Committee (since 1957); columnist, *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, King Features, Bell Syndicate (Europe 1928-1940); radio commentator (Paris 1932-36); A.P. (Paris 1926-1927); contributor, *Stage* magazine, *Collier's*, *Mademoiselle*, *N.Y. Times Magazine*, others.

Affiliations: National Society of Science Writers, Authors League, International Council of Women, Atlantic Union Committee (Council member), Theta Sigma Phi (honorary journalism society.)

OPC activities: Vice President, 1952; Board of Governors, 1948-1951; chairman Annual Dinner Committee, 1953 (member of other Dinner Committees); original committee to locate permanent housing for OPC Memorial Press Center, original Operations Committee, and others. Currently on Liaison Committee.

For Governor: Sigrid Schultz (C)



All eyes were focused on Berlin in 1919 when I became correspondent for the *Chicago Tribune*. In 1926, I became its correspondent-in-chief for Central Europe — also added broadcasts for Mutual Broadcasting. I was war correspondent for *Chicago Tribune*, Mutual Broadcasting and *McCall's* with First Army, Third Army and Air Power Press Camp. Reentered Berlin with the first American convoy under General Parks. I return to Europe regularly to cover various stories.

Club Work: While on the Board of Governors and Chairman of the Overseas Members Liaison Committee I took up the problem of Group Insurance for members. This undertaking nears completion. Since the Club needs funds for expansion, I suggested an idea for a book on which many of us can cooperate. Book Committee Chairman Will Yolen says that a fine publishing house has accepted it. Consequently this candidate believes there is a lot of sound practical work to be done.

For Governor: Neil Sullivan

(C)

Neil Sullivan, who needs no introduction to most of you, has been a member of the Club for the last fifteen years.

He has been a newsreel and documentary cameraman for the past thirty years. His foreign assignments have taken him to every continent but Australia (but he still hopes to get there).

He was a 'D'-day correspondent at Salerno and Normandy. He was wounded twice.

Among his earlier assignments at the old League of Nations meeting at Geneva, he interviewed Ramsey MacDonald, Briand of France, Stresemann of Germany. In Italy he had talks with Mussolini and the Pope.

In late years his assignments have taken him to Middle East and Far East.

He likes the Club and has a firm belief in its future.

Being a cameraman he had no available picture of himself.

For Governor: Joe Wurzel

(C)



Few Trustees of the Correspondent's Fund are members of the Board of the OPC which is a pity for the future of both organizations can best be assured by closer liaison. As Treasurer of the Correspondent's Fund for the past five years, I have seen the importance of the Fund to needy members.

As a member of Board of Governors I would strive to bring our two organizations to closer cooperation and mutual understanding.

As Treasurer of Correspondent's Fund I helped in negotiations for acquisition of the Club's new building and, if elected to the Board, I would endeavor to further the successful merging of the two buildings.

I served as a member of the Board of Governors for five years as Secretary-Treasurer under Louis Lochner, Cliff Stark, Bill Gray, John Daly. I was Treasurer in 1952 when we risked \$10,000 to purchase an option on 35 East 39th St. The risk paid off handsomely in the creation of the Memorial Press Center.

For Governor: Stanley M. Swinton

(C)



Stanley M. Swinton, 39, is general news editor of AP's World Service. He joined AP upon graduating from college. He went into service and as *Stars and Stripes* correspondent saw service in North Africa, Italy and France. He was with the Italian partisans when Mussolini was strung up and wrote eye witness account.

In 1945 Swinton returned to civilian life and flew to the Pacific as AP war correspondent. He covered the Indonesian Revolution and Indochina revolt. In 1947 became AP Bureau chief for Southeast Asia. In 1948 he became Middle East bureau chief. He covered the Korean War and later was chief of Rome Bureau. His by-line has appeared over AP dispatches from more than seventy countries. Professional trips in the past year included Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Germany, Austria, Britain, France, Italy, Venezuela, Argentina, Uruguay, Peru, etc.

Swinton, an OPC member for many years, is Chairman of the Foreign Journalists Liaison Committee.

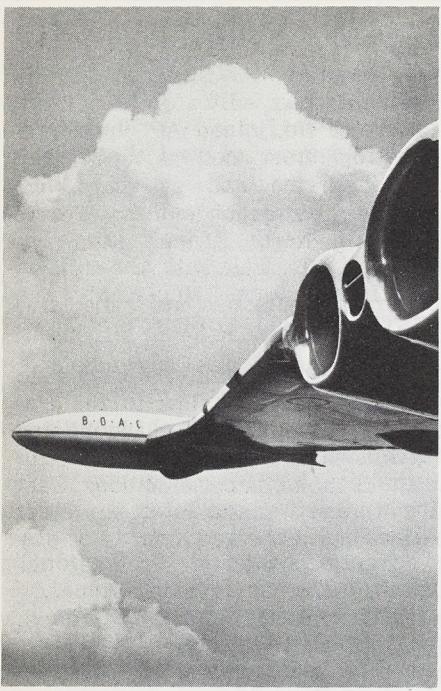
To The Membership

This special section of *The Overseas Press Bulletin*, containing information about all candidates for election at the Annual Meeting on Apr. 28, is sent to you in accordance with Art. VIII of the By-Laws, which directs the Judges of the Election to publish an "information sheet" containing "brief biographies of all nominees" which "may also contain statements by the nominees regarding measures and/or principles which they support." The manner of the candidate's nomination must also be indicated.

Biographies listed in this special section have been compiled on the basis of information made available by the candidates. This material has been assembled, passed upon, and, where necessary, cut, also as provided in the By-Laws, by the Committee of Judges of the Election.

The Committee extends thanks to *The Bulletin* for its cooperation in making this presentation possible.

COMMITTEE OF JUDGES OF THE ELECTION: Donald C. Bolles, Chairman; Anita Diamant Berke, Secretary; Charles E. Campbell, Jr., Vice Chairman; George Goodsitt, Fred Kerner, Henning Koefoed, William S. Foster and Frank C. Wachsmith, counsel.



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Paris Hands To Meet

April in Paris will be remembered Apr. 10 when the OPC holds a Paris Correspondents' Reunion.

U.S. newsmen, OPC members and non-members, who formerly covered the French capital will have typically Parisian music, food, decorations, drinks and post-dinner discussion.

Participating in the reminiscences will be *Burnet Hershey*, *Vincent Sheehan*, *Richard de Rochemont* and *Theodore H. White*. OPC Vice President *Henry Cassidy* will serve as moderator.

Chanteuse Hildegarde will be a guest of the Club at the reunion.

French Government Tourist Office is providing the decorations and table favors; Watches of France will offer an LIPP watch as a door prize; Van Munching & Co. is giving a gallon of Queen Anne's Scotch as another door prize; and Browne Vintners Co., Inc. is contributing B and G French wine for the dinner.

Reservations may be made at the OPC until Apr. 6. One guest each per member.

GREEK FREEDOM MARKED

The 138th anniversary of Greek independence was marked at the OPC on Mar. 24 at the Club's Hellenic Night Greek Regional Dinner.

Speakers were C. Triantafyllakos, Greek consul general in New York; *Lawrence G. Blochman*, Committee chairman; and Fred M. Farwell, executive vice president, U.S. Group, Int'l. Telephone and Telegraph Corp.

Roy Battersby, Hill & Knowlton, won the main door prize—a five-day, all-expense paid tour of Greece with trans-Atlantic air transportation included. The prize was contributed by Traveline, Inc. Rhodes pottery also was given as door prizes.

IT&T arranged for favors from Greece to be flown in for the dinner.

Joseph C. Peters and *Michael Crissman* were in charge of arrangements for the dinner.

BOB KENNEDY ADDRESSES OPC

Robert F. Kennedy, counsel for the U.S. Senate Rackets Committee, spoke at an OPC luncheon Mar. 26.

Kennedy pointed out that defects in the laws permit the return of labor racketeers such as James Hoffa and Dave Beck, once they are exposed. He told the group that the investigations of his committee are with the purpose of new legislation to change the situation.

Kennedy said that if legislation on the problem is not passed this year then it never will be, but that there "is better than a 50-50 chance" that it will be passed.

PEOPLE & PLACES

The Salesman, new pix-text book now on newsstands, came from film produced by *Tom Wolf's* U.S. Productions, Inc....*Ralph G. Martin* and Ed Plaut signed by Doubleday for an "unauthorized biography" of Sen. John Kennedy...*Overdue and Presumed Lost*, story of the submarine "Bullhead," last ship lost in World War II, on the spring list of Chapman & Grimes; author and illustrator is *Martin Sheridan*.

Edward A. Walsh, journalism head at Fordham, supervising magazine awards for the Catholic Press Ass'n. national competition...*Jean Cocteau*'s first interview in English handled by *Leo J. Margolin* and wife Sally for NBC's "Monitor"...*Ogden (Brownie) Reid* appointed U.S. Ambassador to Israel, subject to Senate confirmation; another OPCer, *Henry J. Taylor*, is Ambassador to Switzerland...*Betty Adams*, WJAR-TV, Providence, to Paris, West Berlin, Rome and Madrid to make sound films...*Grace Robinson* recuperating at her Weston, Conn., home after several weeks in Norwalk Hospital.

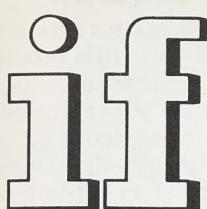
John A. Brugan, King Features vice president, to Central America for annual meeting of Board of Directors of the Inter-American Press Ass'n. (he's treasurer)...*Ansel Talbert* and his wife became parents of their first child, Bonnie Melissa, born in January.

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NEWSMEN TO INDIAN BORDER

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for Asia who was in India at the time the revolution broke out, is supervising New Delhi coverage.

Late last week Pat Killen, UPI's Karachi bureau manager, went on to Kalimpong.

And the UPI drew on Lowell Thomas' knowledge of Tibet for a word-picture piece, on Mar. 26, of the Dalai Lama, the country and its people.

Don Connery, Time-Life's New Delhi bureau chief, is in Kalimpong with a stringer photographer getting material.

CBS's New Delhi man, Arthur Bonner, is in Kalimpong shooting film which is then shipped out of Calcutta. Bonner is making broadcasts, about every other day, out of Calcutta.

CBS has a broadcaster, Eddie Tan, in Taipei whom they are also utilizing.

NBC's Jim Robinson is broadcasting regularly from Hong Kong, and stringer correspondents in India are supplying film. NBC is also using some CBC film, made by Bill Stevenson, and film from the Rangoon Studio in New Delhi. Stringer Laurence Chang in Formosa is helping coverage also.

Ben Grauer, NBC, to Portugal and Spain, via Paris, for "Monitor" spots.

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